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All clothing and equipment issued [] were entered in the service book. 1. Records of the issuance of gas masks and individual weapons were entered on separate pages.

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All clothing sizes were entered in the service book.

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It was absolutely mandatory to have the service book in one's personal possession. [] always carried [] service book.

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Barber and shower facilities at reception station.

Before departing for the reception center, all recruits were instructed by the voyenkomat to have haircuts. This was done by the inductees at their own expense. There were no barber facilities at Zhitomir.

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Recruits gave each other haircuts as they were needed.

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At the basic training center in Zhitomir, showers were taken in a portion of one building. There were sufficient shower heads to accommodate one platoon at a time. Showers were taken every 10 days in platoon formation.

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There were no military laundry facilities at Zhitomir, recruits either sent their soiled clothes to Zhitomir to be cleaned by civilians or did them themselves.

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The men took baths every 10 days in one of the billets of the 36th AAA Regt., 23rd AAA Div., where shower facilities were available. The billets were in the caserne area of the 23rd AAA Div. Members of the 64th AAA Regt., 23rd AAA Div., used the showers at the same time.

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members of the Svc. Sec. (Khozaystvennaya Chast), 36th AAA Regt., were on duty at the shower point.

The first sergeant of section picked up clean underwear and sheets at the 64th AAA Regt. every 10 days and issued them to the EM. The EM then carried the clean underwear with them to the shower point. The soiled underwear and sheets were turned in to the 64th AAA Regt. by the first sergeant of the section.

Soiled uniforms were washed by the EM themselves.

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there were no laundry facilities for any clothing items, except as stated above. Furthermore, each man had only two uniforms and could not be without one for a few days. Since the EM received only 40 schillings pay each month, they could not afford to have their laundry done by Austrian civilians. The uniforms were washed with a yellowish brown soap which was issued by the first sergeant.

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the quantity or how often the soap was issued it was always available.

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[redacted] not know if facilities existed for the laundering of uniforms in the regiments and subunits of the 23rd AAA Div. [redacted] the EM washed their own uniforms, while the officers paid to have their uniforms cleaned by Austrian civilians.

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There were no barber facilities in [redacted] unit in Austria, and the EM gave each other haircuts as they were needed. There were no strict requirements with respect to haircuts as far as [redacted] unit was concerned.

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[redacted] all the soldiers [redacted] working in the Rear Services, 23rd AAA Div., such as the 64th AAA Regt. and 36th AAA Regt. Clothing and Equipment Supply (Obózno-veschevogo snabzheniya) and Ration and Forage Supply (Pródovolstvenno-furážnogo snabzheniya), and the 36th AAA Regt. shower point, wore black artillery shoulder boards with red piping. [redacted] they also wore metallic crossed artillery insignia on the shoulder boards.

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